

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 04632.0072

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Minoru Hirata ) Group Art Unit: 1735  
Application No.: 10/586,157 ) Examiner: Jacky Yuen  
Filed: August 1, 2008 )  
For: Molding Flask for a Molding ) Confirmation No.: 4857  
Machine and a Molding Process )  
Using the Mold Flask )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

**In reply to the Office Action mailed July 19, 2011, the period for response having been extended to December 19, 2011 by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:**

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.